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Occupied Germany:

In the following Appendices "A", "B", and "C" are summaries of cases and deaths by Regierungsbezirk and Land, and case rates by Regierungsbezirk and Land for the week ended 31 August 1946.

Communicable Diseases:

For the fourth consecutive week there have been no reported cases of typhus fever and for the third consecutive week there has been a decrease in the incidence of typhoid fever for the Zone as a whole. However, in Land Greater Hesse there was a fifty percent increase in typhoid fever cases over those reported during the previous week. Diphtheria continues to increase with a noticeable increase in Bavaria and Wuerttemberg-Baden but with a decrease in Greater Hesse and the U.S. Sector of Berlin. Poliomyelitis has increased to a total of thirty-five reported cases this week as compared with twenty-seven in the previous week, increasing in all Laender and U.S. Sector Berlin while Bremen decreased by three cases. In Greater Hesse the number of cases doubled to twelve and two fatalities were reported. Gonorrhea and syphilis are still increasing with syphilis continuing to show a proportionately greater increase than gonorrhea. Malaria has also increased this week by six cases in U.S. Sector Berlin and three cases in Wuerttemberg-Baden.

Hospitalization:

In Bremen building material has been allocated for the rehabilitation of the Sonneheilstatte Stenum Hospital for Tuberculosis, which upon completion will provide for 120 tuberculous patients. Wesermuende reports an increase of 70 beds now making a total of 170 beds available for patients suffering from tuberculosis. In Land Wuerttemberg-Baden the requisitioning committee, consisting of two doctors and one architect, has been appointed for the purpose of surveying the over-all hospital situation in the Land and they will begin work as soon as necessary transportation is available. Also in Wuerttemberg-Baden contracts have been let and raw materials allocated for the production of an additional 5000 hospital beds and night tables. This makes a total of 7500 hospital beds now under contract for production within the next six months. This supply will greatly relieve the present acute shortage of hospital equipment within the Land.

APPENDIX "A"

Communicable Disease Report United States Zone of Germany for Week Ending 31 August 1946

Regierungs- bezirk	Popu- lation	Cases, Deaths	Reported Number of New CASES and DEATHS of COMMUNICABLE DISEASE c: Cases d: Deaths																										
			Typhus Fever louse borne	Relapsing Fever	Smallpox	Cholera	Plague	Anthrax	Diphtheria	Scarlet Fever	Tuberculosis lung and larynx	Tuberculosis other	Whooping Cough	Meningitis meningococcus	Gonorrhea	Syphilis	Typhoid Fever	Paratyphoid	Dysentery infectious	Bact. Food poisoning	Undulant Fever	Infectious jaundice	Scabies	Rabies	Encephalitis epidemic	Malaria	Influenza	Measles	
TOTAL US Zone	16,679,390	P c	—	—	—	—	—	—	901 20	198 —	726 149	113 8	770 3	6 4	35 3	1187 —	123 5	51 1	22 3	—	2	17	3266 —	—	—	6 1	23 —	26 —	143 —
Unterfranken	935,625	P c	—	—	—	—	—	—	46 —	4 —	59 11	2 1	33 —	—	1 —	176 —	7 1	11 —	7 —	—	—	—	4 —	184 —	—	—	—	—	—
Ober- and Mittelfranken	2,166,033	P c	—	—	—	—	—	—	104 5	22 —	36 17	4 —	93 —	2 —	—	343 —	13 —	9 —	4 1	2 —	—	—	—	548 —	—	—	2 —	—	11 —
Niederbayern and Oberpfalz	1,866,526	P c	—	—	—	—	—	—	75 1	20 —	34 16	3 —	76 1	—	—	244 —	26 2	2 —	1 —	—	—	—	—	540 —	—	—	1 —	—	—
Schwaben	1,040,631	P c	—	—	—	—	—	—	32 1	14 —	44 4	3 —	20 —	1 —	—	181 —	50 —	13 —	6 —	—	—	—	—	125 —	—	—	—	—	9 —
Oberbayern	2,160,916	P c	—	—	—	—	—	—	105 3	26 —	104 9	13 3	81 —	—	—	577 —	187 —	11 —	4 —	—	—	—	—	312 —	—	2 —	—	—	56 —
Kassel	1,153,323	P c	—	—	—	—	—	—	46 2	12 —	48 10	14 —	44 —	—	—	2113 —	47 —	6 —	—	—	—	—	10 —	153 —	—	—	1 —	—	5 —
Wiesbaden	1,461,997	P c	—	—	—	—	—	—	64 2	16 —	66 —	4 —	70 —	—	—	4363 —	142 —	5 —	6 —	1 —	—	2 —	—	69 —	—	4 —	3 —	—	—
Hessen	1,178,132	P c	—	—	—	—	—	—	79 1	22 —	97 6	9 —	126 —	—	—	6182 —	67 —	13 —	2 —	—	—	—	3 —	254 —	—	—	—	26 —	45 —
Baden	1,249,127	P c	—	—	—	—	—	—	82 2	11 —	59 8	11 —	76 —	—	—	5212 —	57 —	5 —	2 —	4 —	—	—	—	667 —	—	—	—	—	—
Württemberg	2,044,156	P c	—	—	—	—	—	—	132 2	25 —	70 20	15 2	145 —	1 —	—	6257 —	89 —	12 —	8 —	1 —	—	—	—	156 —	—	—	4 —	—	17 —
Bremen Enclave	478,106	P c	—	—	—	—	—	—	52 1	9 —	20 8	6 —	6 —	1 —	—	4164 —	57 —	3 —	1 —	—	—	—	—	258 —	—	—	—	—	—
Berlin (US Sector)	944,818	P c	—	—	—	—	—	—	84 —	17 —	89 29	29 —	—	1 —	—	3329 —	130 —	9 —	—	3 —	—	—	—	—	—	—	12 —	—	—

a) Bremen included in report. + No data submitted.

APPENDIX "B" Communicable Disease Report (by Land) United States Zone of Germany for Week Ending 31 August 1946

Land	Popu- lation	Cases, Deaths	Reported Number of New CASES and DEATHS of COMMUNICABLE DISEASE																							c: Cases	d: Deaths		
			Typhus Fever louse borne	Relapsing Fever	Smallpox	Cholera	Plague	Anthrax	Diphtheria	Scarlet Fever	Tuberculosis lung and larynx	Tuberculosis other	Whooping Cough	Meningitis meningococcus	Gonorrhea	Syphilis	Typhoid Fever	Paratyphoid	Dysentery infectious	Bact. Food Poisoning	Undulant Fever	Infectious Jaundice	Scabies	Rabies	Encephalitis epidemic			Malaria	Influenza
Bavaria	8,169,731	P 0	—	—	—	—	—	—	362	86	277	25	303	3	5	1521	598	70	32	12	—	—	4	1709	—	2	3	—	76
Greater Hesse	3,793,452	P 0	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	—	57	5	2	2	1	—	1	2	1	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	50
Württemberg Baden	3,293,283	P 0	—	—	—	—	—	—	189	50	211	27	240	—	12	658	256	24	8	1	—	2	13	476	—	4	4	—	50
Bremen Enclave	478,106	P 0	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	27	—	—	—	2	—	—	3	10	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	17
Berlin (US Sector)	944,818	P 0	—	—	—	—	—	—	52	9	20	6	6	1	4	164	57	3	1	1	—	—	—	258	—	—	—	—	—
Total US Zone	16,679,390	P 0	—	—	—	—	—	—	84	17	89	29	+	1	3	329	130	9	—	3	—	—	+	+	—	12	23	26	143

Case Rate Expressed as per 10,000 Population per Annum

Bavaria	8,169,731		—	—	—	—	—	—	23.02	5.47	17.62	1.59	19.27	.19	.32	96.74	38.03	4.45	2.03	.76	—	—	.25	108.69	—	.13	.19	—	4.83
Greater Hesse	3,793,452		—	—	—	—	—	—	25.91	6.95	28.93	3.70	32.90	—	1.64	90.21	35.10	3.29	1.10	.14	—	—	.27	1.78	65.26	.55	.55	3.56	6.85
Württemberg- Baden	3,293,283		—	—	—	—	—	—	33.79	5.68	20.37	4.10	34.90	.16	1.74	74.05	23.05	2.68	1.56	.79	—	—	—	129.95	—	.63	—	—	2.68
Bremen Enclave	478,106		—	—	—	—	—	—	56.55	9.79	21.75	6.53	6.53	1.09	4.35	178.37	61.99	3.26	1.09	1.09	—	—	—	280.60	—	—	—	—	—
Berlin (US Sector)	944,818		—	—	—	—	—	—	46.73	9.36	48.99	15.96	+	.55	1.65	181.08	71.55	4.95	—	1.65	—	—	—	—	—	6.60	+	+	+

+ No data submitted

APPENDIX "C"

Communicable Disease Rates United States Zone of Germany for Week Ending 31 August 1946

Regierungs- Bezirk	Popu- lation	Typhus Fever	Relapsing Fever	Smallpox	Cholera	Plague	Anthrax	Diphtheria	Scarlet Fever	Tuberculosis lung & larynx	Tuberculosis other	Whooping Cough	Meningitis meningococcus	Gonorrhea	Syphilis	Typhoid Fever	Paratyphoid	Dysentery infectious	Bact. Food Poisoning	Undulant Fever	Infectious Jaundice	Scabies	Rabies	Encephalitis epidemic	Malaria	Influenza	Measles
Total US Zone	a) 16,679,390	—	—	—	—	—	—	28.11	6.18	22.65	3.53	24.02	.19	1.09	98.00	37.03	3.84	1.59	.69	.06	.53	101.90	—	.19	.72	.81	4.46
Unterfranken	995,625	—	—	—	—	—	—	25.57	2.22	22.79	1.11	18.34	—	.56	97.82	51.69	3.89	6.11	3.89	—	2.22	102.21	—	—	—	—	—
Ober- and Mittelfranken	2,166,033	—	—	—	—	—	—	24.97	5.28	8.64	.96	22.33	.48	—	82.35	43.46	3.12	2.16	.96	—	—	131.57	—	—	.48	—	2.64
Niederbayern and Oberpfalz	1,866,526	—	—	—	—	—	—	20.89	5.57	9.47	.84	21.17	—	—	67.98	24.24	7.24	.56	.28	—	—	150.44	—	—	.28	—	—
Schwaben	1,040,631	—	—	—	—	—	—	15.99	7.00	21.99	1.50	9.99	.50	—	90.45	24.98	6.50	3.00	—	—	—	62.46	—	—	—	—	4.50
Oberbayern	2,160,916	—	—	—	—	—	—	25.26	6.26	25.02	3.13	19.49	—	.96	138.83	44.99	2.65	.96	—	—	—	75.07	—	.48	—	—	13.47
Kassel	1,153,323	—	—	—	—	—	—	20.74	5.41	21.64	6.31	19.84	—	.90	50.95	21.19	2.70	—	—	—	4.51	68.99	—	—	.45	—	2.25
Wiesbaden	1,461,997	—	—	—	—	—	—	22.76	5.69	23.48	1.42	24.90	—	1.42	123.12	50.51	1.78	2.13	.36	.71	—	24.54	—	1.42	1.07	—	—
Hessen	1,178,132	—	—	—	—	—	—	34.87	9.71	42.81	3.97	55.62	—	2.65	80.33	29.57	5.74	.88	—	—	1.32	112.12	—	—	—	11.48	19.86
Baden	1,249,127	—	—	—	—	—	—	34.14	4.58	24.56	4.58	31.64	—	2.08	88.26	23.73	2.08	.83	1.66	—	—	277.67	—	—	—	—	—
Württemberg	2,044,156	—	—	—	—	—	—	33.58	6.36	17.81	3.82	36.89	.25	1.53	65.38	22.64	3.05	2.03	.25	—	—	39.69	—	—	1.02	—	4.32
Bremen Enclave	478,106	—	—	—	—	—	—	56.55	9.79	21.75	6.53	6.53	1.09	4.35	178.37	61.99	3.26	1.09	1.09	—	—	280.60	—	—	—	—	—
Berlin (US Sector)	944,818	—	—	—	—	—	—	46.23	9.36	48.99	15.96	+	.55	1.65	181.08	71.55	4.95	—	1.65	—	—	+	—	—	6.60	+	+

a) Bremen included in report. + No data submitted.
(Rates Expressed as per 10,000 per Annum).

